

County of Fairfax, Virginia

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REQUIREMENTS FOR LETTERS OF AUTHORIZATION

Property owners who are being represented by an agent/agency in matters involving the assessment of real estate must provide a Letter of Authorization to the Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration. A copy of a Power of Attorney should describe the type of representation of the property owner.

The Letter of Authorization must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Must be notarized and preferably on Property Owner's letterhead.
- 2. Must be an **ORIGINAL** document addressed to the Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration. Blanket letters of authorization and <u>faxes</u> will not be accepted.
- 3. Must identify the property by specifying:
 - The owner of record
 - The property map reference number
 - The property address
- Must identify the agent/agency representing the property(s).
- Must be dated and signed within the <u>current tax year</u>. Authorizations without a current date 5. will not be accepted.
- Must be signed by the owner of record, general partner, or a corporate officer authorized to act on its behalf. A person who identifies themselves as the Owner or Officer of the Corporation will be accepted as such, however, any misrepresentation constitutes fraud.
- The Letter of Authorization must include:
 - The **PRINTED OR TYPED** name of signer
 - The title of the signer
 - Date of signature
 - Telephone contact (area code + number)

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